

Health Information Technology Commission
Meeting Information

Date: Thursday, June 14, 2007
1 - 4pm

Location: MDCH Conference Room C
1st Floor, Capitol View Building
201 Townsend Street
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Commissioner Attendance:

Robin Cole	Mark Notman, Ph.D.	Teri Takai
Greg Forzley, M.D.	Janet Olszewski	Larry Wagenknecht, R.Ph.
Joseph Hohner	Robert Paul	(Absent)
Toshiki Masaki (Absent)	Tom Lauzon	Jeanne Strickland

Staff:

Beth Nagel – MDCH
George Boersma - MDIT

Guests:

Linda McCardel – MPHI	Bridget White – AFH
Kelly Coyle – MPHI	Fmr. Rep. Gary Newell - AFH
Jeff Shaw - MPHI	Jeff Ladd - BCBSM
John Hazewinkel – MSU	Kim Brosky - Altarum
Denise Holmes - MSU	Helen Hill – HFHS
Kevin Sackett - SCCMHA	Carlotta Gabard – A3-HIE
Dana Green – MPHI	David McLaury – D&L Group
Paul Harmon - MDIT	Tom Stevenson, DO - Covisint

Agenda:

A. Welcome

- The Commission Chair provided a welcome to the Commissioners and guests.

B. Commissioners Updates and Comments

- Greg Forzley noted that there are several HIT Commission membership changes. Currently there is an opening in the Pharmaceutical Industry representative and the Doctors of Osteopathic Medicine representative. The Governor's Appointments Division is working on finding replacements.

- Tom Stevenson addressed the Commission to announce that he has resigned due to new employment.
- Greg Forzley noted that he was voted vice chair and is therefore acting as Chair. The Commission will need to officially vote on a chair of the Commission.
- Greg Forzley provided an update on the MSMS Foundation Health IT Symposium that took place on June 13th. Janet Marchibroda from the eHealth Initiative provided remarks and praised Michigan's efforts.
- Janet Olszewski announced that the Regional HIE and the Resource Center grants have been approved and MDCH will be making a public announcement soon.
- Mark Notman told the Commission that he has presented at the May Michigan Osteopathic Association meeting and the Michigan Rural Health Conference
- Janet Olszewski told the Commission that the National Governors Association will have a Health IT Committee for Governors and that she may be a presenter.
- Teri Takai noted that there are three National Governors Association taskforces on Health IT and that she is the representative on a taskforce exploring HIT and Medicaid. Also, Michigan won a HIMSS Advocacy award and the press release is inside Commissioner's packets. She praised the Commission for their work in bringing this award to Michigan. Also, slides from her most recent presentation to HIMSS are included in the packets.

C. Approval of 4-12-07 meeting minutes

- The minutes from the previous meeting were approved unanimously without any discussion.
- Minutes will be put on the Commission's website.

D. FCC Rural Health Pilot Program update - George Boersma, MDIT

- George Boersma from MDIT gave a presentation on Michigan's submission to the FCC Rural Health Pilot Program. A copy of Michigan's proposal was given to each Commissioner.
- Michigan will be presenting its proposal to the FCC in Washington D.C. on June 21 as part of the ex parte presentation process.
- Announcements on the awards are expected this summer but may be as late as the end of the fiscal year.

E. Update from the HIE Resource Center – John Hazewinkel, MSU

- There are several funding opportunities that the Resource Center will make available to local HIEs. Information on the HRSA grants are in the Commissioner's packets.
- A Medicaid Transformation Grant has been submitted to support some specific work of the Resource Center.

- The Resource Center is currently working to respond to a Center for Disease Control and Prevention grant to link the state's biosurveillance efforts to regional HIEs.
- The Resource Center is also currently working with several partners to respond to an opportunity from the Office of the National Coordinator for Health IT called the National Health Information Network II grant.
- The Resource Center will include information like this on its website as one is up and running.
- The collaboration of HIEs in Michigan was discussed several times during the meeting, and was acknowledged as an important consideration for the Resource Center and the success of Michigan and national information exchange.

F. HISPC Project Extension Update – Dana Green, MPH

- Dana Green provided an update on the HISPC project extension. There are three potential opportunities for extended funding to implement solutions in the HISPC report.
- Michigan has submitted two proposals for solutions to be funded by the extension – Legal Framework and the Resource Center. Michigan is also part of a multi-state collaborative, which could bring more funding to our HISPC project.
- The extension could potentially go through December 2007.

G. Michigan Privacy and Security Laws Position Paper Update – Dana Green, MPH

- Dana Green provided an overview of the many Michigan privacy and security laws that could be considered for revision and/or update.
- Through the HISPC project, a legal workgroup will be convened to prioritize the laws and prepare a position paper for the HIT Commission to consider.
- This project is one of the HISPC solutions that are being considered for the funding extension.

H. Presentation of the Michigan HIE Consumer Survey Results – Dana Green, MPH

- In February 2007 a survey of Michigan consumers was conducted via telephone surveys with Michigan adults. Over 600 citizens participated.
- The results are available in the Commission's packets.
- From the results, it was found that Michigan's consumers support many of the uses of health information exchange focused on clinical care that are outlined in the MiHIN report.

I. Presentation from the Alliance for Health – West Michigan HIE – Former State Representative Gary Newell

- Gary Newell and Bridget White from the Alliance for Health in West Michigan provided an overview of where their area is in forming a

regional HIE. They also provided a vision for the future of healthcare in West Michigan.

- Slides from the presentation are in the Commission's packet and include specific considerations for the Commission including:
 - o Align the efforts of all MiHIN grant awardees statewide
 - o Establish guidelines for consistency and standardization
 - o Position MiHIN HIT strategies within other business and economic development planning efforts
 - o Consider additional funding strategies or sustainable business modeling efforts including collaboration with the private sector

J. Time for Public Comment

- Helen Hill from the Southeast Michigan HIE announced that they are working to get by-laws and an implementation plan going. Also, SEMHIE would like to work with other HIEs.